SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 584

By Haynes

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mrs. Annie Martin on the celebration of her 89th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Annie Martin will celebrate her 89th birthday on February 12, 2012, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Martin, known to all her friends and neighbors as "Miss Annie," is a longtime Nashville resident and beloved member of the Donelson community; and

WHEREAS, for forty years, Mrs. Martin served with acumen and alacrity as an employee with BellSouth in Nashville, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, Miss Annie enjoyed many years of wedded bliss with her late husband, Robert G. Martin, and the couple's blessed union produced one son, Norman, two grandsons, and four great-granddaughters; and

WHEREAS, bicycle enthusiasts, Miss Annie and her husband traveled across Tennessee, Florida, and Europe, completing over 26,000 miles on their bicycles; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, Miss Annie is a prominent member of the Donelson and Lincoya Hills Neighborhood Association and is a noted community historian; and

WHEREAS, a true Tennessee Volunteer, Miss Annie has lent her time and talents to numerous civic and charitable organizations, including the Special Olympics, Music City Marathon, Lawn and Garden Show, Antique Road Show, Big Brothers Christmas Food

Baskets, BellSouth Golf Classic, Fifty Forward in Donelson, and the Metro Election Commission, for which she has worked every election for the past thirty-five years; and

WHEREAS, as Miss Annie Martin approaches her tenth decade, she is still an active and productive member of society; she can be found taking a friend to the doctor or helping the Tennessee Pioneers on nearly any day when she is not spending time with her beloved dog, Skittles, walking up and down Hunters Hill in Donelson; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Annie Martin on the celebration of her 89th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.